



**PATENT**  
Attorney Docket No. **UM-08441**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: **Burmeister**  
Serial No.: **10/699,941** Group No.: **1635**  
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Entitled: **ATAXIA ASSOCIATED GENE AND PROTEIN**

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**  
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Dear Examiner Goldberg:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2005, in the above-mentioned application. Applicants request a one-month extension of time from January 19, 2006 to February 19, 2006.